# Southeastern California GIS Council



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Facilitator: Note Taker:	Brent Rolf, County of San Bernardino Ginger Ryba, San Bernardino Associated Governments	
Attendants:	Ann Brierty Brent Rolf Cameron Brown Domingo D. Gonzales Erich List Ginger Ryba Herman Hilkey Ingrid Bruce Jay Seckman Kevin Viera Kim Peter Martin Wildeman Mike Cohen Raymond Brown Tim Van Damme Tim MimMack Bill Mumbleau Zora Lee	San Manuel Indian County of San Bernardino SANBAG City of Barstow City of Rancho Cucamonga SANBAG City of Grand Terrace City of Rancho Cucamonga City of Murrieta WRCOG City of Riverside Inland Empire Utilities Agency County of San Bernardino SBVWMD Inland Empire Utilities Agency City of Rialto County of Riverside City of Riverside City of Riverside City of Chino Hills

# **Agenda Topics**

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

Brent Rolf

2.0 Approve May 22, 2002 Minutes Brent Rolf

**Discussion:** There were no comments.

Conclusion: The minutes were unanimously approved as drafted.

## 3.0 Revisions to the Draft Charter

Ginger Ryba

## **Discussion:**

#### 3.1 VOTING MEMBERSHIP

The draft presented in Attachment 3.2a number 3 was accepted by the group with the exception of item "j. Fire Departments". Bill Mumbleau stated that each agency (fire, police, etc.) should be spelled out separately as these agencies are very sensitive to being lumped together. The rest of the group was more inclined to lump them under "Emergency Services Departments". A compromise was reached as a potentially temporary solution; they will be lumped together under "Emergency Services Departments" until such time as someone from one of these agencies starts to participate in the group's meetings. This topic could then be revisited and a change to the Charter may be voted on according to the agency breakdown they suggest.

The state & federal participation issue was reaffirmed as well; they are encouraged to participate but will not have a vote.

## 3.2 REVIEW AND ADOPT CHANGES TO THE CHARTER

Herman Hilkey voiced concern over Section 5 Article VIII. He suggested that voting after a meeting would enable someone to aggressively campaign for their position, potentially swaying the outcome to their favor. The security of internet voting was also questioned.

It was suggested that proxy voting be permitted 24 hours before an item is up for a vote. The group thought that this might be a little tight and decided 1 week before the meeting would be more appropriate. As for the security of voting over the internet, a validation list of primary members and pre-approved alternates would be used to validate all incoming votes. This list will also be published on the Website so that all know who has the right to vote.

Bill moved to approve the draft Charter with the modifications discussed. Herman Hilkey seconded.

#### **Conclusion:**

- Voting membership will be stated in general terms in Article IV of the Charter.
- Article IV (Membership) of the Charter will list "Emergency Services" instead of "Fire Departments".
- Proxy voting will occur one week before an item is up for a vote (Article VIII).
- Proxy votes will be validated via an e-mail address verification process.

Action:	Person responsible:	Deadline:
A. Modify Article IV & VIII in the Charter	Ginger Ryba	None specified
B. Submit application for State recognition	Ginger Ryba	
C. Post membership list to the website	Mike Cohen	

## 4.0 Nomination of Officers

Bill Mumbleau

**Discussion:** Bill asked the group for officer nominations. The group attempted to persuade Brent to accept a Chair nomination but he refused. Three of the nominees were not present. Ginger said she would verify their willingness to serve before their names were posted to the website.

The nominations taken from the floor were:

- Chair: Raymond Brown, Elliott Ellsworth (not present), Bill Mumbleau, and Ginger Ryba
- Vice-Chair: All nominated for Chair plus Kevin Viera, and Brent Rolf
- Secretary: John DeGange (not present), and Karen Kemp (not present)
- Liaison: Bill Mumbleau, and Ginger Ryba
- Alternate Liaison: All nominated for Liaison, and Ingrid Bruce

It was suggested that write-in votes for all positions also be considered. All agreed.

## **Conclusion:**

Floor appointed nominations will be posted to the website and open for public voting.

Action:	Person responsible:	Deadline:
A. Post nominations to website, collect votes, and cross-check votes with primary and alternate e- mail addresses.	Mike Cohen	None specified
B. Verify Elliott, John, and Karen are willing to be nominated for their respective offices.	Ginger Ryba	None specified

## **5.0 Regional GIS Council Application**

Ginger Ryba

**Discussion:** A letter from Mary Nichols, Co-Chair of the California GIS Council, dated September 27<sup>th</sup> was introduced to the group. In it, Mary states that "For a state GIS program to be successful, however, additional resources above those provided by the Resource Agency and the \$4,000 member fee approved by the Council will be needed." She expressed concern for the State Council's viability resulting from budget cut-backs and says that "...the Executive Sponsors and their advisors will be meeting over the next few weeks to discuss state GIS activities and funding". The State Council's Steering Committee will be updated as to the outcome of these talks circa December/January.

Ginger Ryba clarified that the \$4,000 was not a regional council fee and asked the group for their thoughts on moving forward with a potentially inactive or nonexistent State GIS Council.

It was reaffirmed that there was enough of a benefit for continuing on without the state to warrant doing so. It was also agreed upon that an application for State recognition as a Regional Council should be submitted even if it will only get a "rubber stamp"; the thought being that this could also be used by the State GIS Council as support for their activities.

With that issue out of the way, the group approved the submission of the draft application provided.

### **Conclusion:**

- The group will continue to move forward even if the State GIS Council falters.
- An application for State recognition as a Regional Council will be submitted.

Action:	Person(s) responsible:	Deadline:
Submit application for State recognition as a Regional Council	Ginger Ryba	Not specified

6.0 Website Michael Cohen

#### **Discussion:**

## 6.1 DISCUSS THE USEFULNESS OF THE SITE

Mike asked the group who was using the site. Nearly all raised their hands. He asked if anyone had any suggestions for improvement. Posting the contact list was brought up again.

### 6.2 MAINTENANCE: WHO AND HOW

Mike stated that the County has been maintaining the site thus far and will continue to so do so provided it does not require more than the 2-3 hours per week currently being expended. If it gets any more time consuming than it already is, he said that further options will have to be explored.

# 7.0 Defining Initial Goals and Objectives

**Michael Cohen** 

**Discussion:** Mike said that the group needed to define some measurable goals like cross-county data exchange for emergency services as an example. All agreed. Because time was running short, Ginger suggested that the website be used to collect additional goal suggestions. These suggestions will be discussed at the next meeting.

**Conclusion:** The website will be used to collect goal suggestions.

Action: Person(s) responsible: Deadline:
Create a link for goal suggestions Mike Cohen None specified

## 8.0 Name That Council Award

Kevin Viera

**Discussion:** The runner up was John Donoghue with "Inland Regional Data Alliance" and the grand prize went to "Southeastern California GIS Council". Both won a bag full of gifts (hats, shirt, mugs...) compliments of Kevin Viera's dedicated hunting and gathering skills.

Conclusion: The council's name is now "Southeastern California GIS Council"

### Miscellaneous Announcements

- Brent said that an RFP to complete the parcel base was recently released. The goal is to have the parcel base completed within three years.
- Bill stated that through a CDF fire initiative, money would be available, approximately \$15,000 per agency, for 911 Call Center upgrades from CAD to more current technology. He said that Los Angeles and San Francisco were probably going to be first on the list of 500 but that being a designated regional council may provide enough leverage for us to get on the deal as well.
- Ginger stated that the SANBAG \$280,000 grant from the Office of Traffic and Safety for the development and distribution of a San Bernardino County-wide Automated Traffic Collision Analysis System was about to be finalized and would be getting kicked off with the formation of a steering committee in the October/November time frame.